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Chapter 1 by PyromaniacSoap

She was laughed at, mocked, and bullied. Then she decided it was all going to change. Mercy took off her mask for the first time in five years. It was almost like a full-head gas mask but reversed. It was meant to protect the people on the outside, not on the inside. She removed it showing off her vibrant green hair, three rows of pointed teeth, and finally, her glowing red eyes. Once seeing her, the other children prayed that her parents had given her a name that matched her character. Unfortunately for them, that was not the case.

Chapter 2 by -



"Off the playground, NOW!" Mercy's spirit was on fire. She wasn't going to be bullied by these kids. "Things are going to be different... Everyone plays by MY rules!" The children drew farther and farther away from her in horror. Was this the same quiet Mercy they had known behind the mask?

Mercy threw the mask hard into the crowd backing away from her. She was pained that nobody cared about her. She figured that it was better to be feared and powerful, than ridiculed and weak. From this moment, Mercy began to change the meaning of her name. She was going to

redefine words like kind, trustworthy, loving, and so on.

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Chapter 3 by Maarten van I...

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One year later, Mercy was the boss of the playground, she bought new masks and commanded the children to put them on.

But if someone would put the mask off, she would torture them.

While Mercy was too busy with looking after a little boy that was constantly running around Mercys throne; a little girl put her mask off and showed it to some kids. She had the same face as Mercy, pointed teeth and red glowing eyes.

Mercy turned around and saw the girl.

Her name was Hope...

Chapter 4 by -



The two looked each other squarely in the eyes. It was as instant fight. Hair pulling, face scratching, arm biting...

All the children gathered around in a circle - a wide circle - to see this hideous sight.

But the two girls were in this completely. Two them, this was a fight for life. Hope and Mercy knew, that only one girl would emerge victorious...

Chapter 5 by Maarten van Elzelingen



The children started to cheer for Hope.

Not because she was better at fighting, but because the children saw something in Hope that they did not see in Mercy before.

Mercy was yelling and fighting, but she felt she was going to lose from Hope.

Was it the cheering that made Hope felt stronger or was it something else?

Mercy was struggling like a fish out of the water.

When Mercy was not able to move her arms anymore, because Hope sat on them, Hope was able to kill her.

Hope saw and felt the fear of Mercy.

Although Hope was able to kill Mercy, she did not

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Hope and Mercy looked the same, but they were not the same.

Hope was different.

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Chapter 6 by Maarten van Elzelingen



Hope her eyes turned from red to light blue, while Mercy her eyes only turned more red.

Hope was looking around the circle of children. The children looked afraid and amazed at the same time.

Mercy saw that Hope was looking the other way and hit her on the head.

Hope fell and Mercy stood up.

Mercy reached for a stone, while Hope tried to get up.

Mercy grabbed the stone and hit Hope on the head as hard as she could.

Mercy stands up and kicks Hope in the head, but she does not see that the children are slowly coming closer.

A few seconds later Mercy hears a boy screaming that they have to attack.

Mercy looks up from her victim and sees that all the children are running towards her with anything they could find; stones, pieces of metal, logs.

Mercy got beaten by little kids, her greatest fear.

While Mercy was laying bleeding on the ground, the children gathered around the body of Hope. She was not moving anymore.

Suddenly a shock goes through the body of Hope. Her wounds are closing by themselves.

She is healing herself. A few moments later Hope stands up and sees the children standing in front of the corpse of Mercy.

Slowly are the children taking off their masks.

Mercy is dead...

Chapter 7 by Phantim



The children looked at her body hungrily. The gods were kind - everyone on the play ground would be getting a little /mercy/ today.

Their hungry hands began to dig away the bloody meat and organs. They shoved the raw flesh into their mouths with a fever. Mercy was inside them. The children weren't looking at each other. At the end, all that was left was a bare skeleton and a bloody set of clothes. On, and her mask.

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Days went by as hope now ruled the playground. The children came back to play each day. Each day though, the slowly changed. Their eyes began to have a slight red glow, and a few even began to get a second row of teeth...

Chapter 8 by Maarten van Elzelingen



Hope saw that the children started to get evil.
She did not want this children to be like Mercy.
They had beaten Mercy, and now they were becoming like her.

Although she knew that the children would never attack her,
she did not want them to become bad.

She needed a solution.
Not a solution with violence or anger. No. She needed a solution with peace.

Hope was begging for help.
She was staying awake all night, looking for something to solve this problem.

Then it just happened.
Two boys came towards her. No, not boys from the playground.
This were boys with white clothes and a white skin.
They had grown little white wings on their back.

Those boys were called Faith and Forgiveness.

the end

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